

THE BEER DEMYSTIFIER *NEW YORK CITY FILES* 2009-2010

BREWERY PROFILE

Kirin

[Global Corporate Mass Producer](#)

HQ: Japan

The Kirin beer brands, while having Japanese heritage, are actually brewed in the U.S.A. by [Anheuser-Busch InBev](#) for the American market. So technically it is no more Japanese by origin than a bottle of Bud Light. Kirin owns 46% of [Lion Nathan](#).



Ratings

Each beer has been given a rating from one to five which should be interpreted as follows.

- * Bland, one-dimensional, or tasting of cheap adjuncts – unenjoyable. Not recommended.
- ** Nothing special but may be worth trying if nothing better is available.
- *** Good, recommended.
- **** Great, highly recommended.
- ***** Exceptionally good, very highly recommended.

Ratings are based on personal taste although, in certain instances, outside evaluations have been used when a particular beer has not been sampled by the author/webmaster.

{S} after the beer name denotes seasonal availability.

- **Domestic**

Light (4.0%) * * < - LIGHT LAGER - >

Lager Beer (4.9%) * < - JAPANESE RICE LAGER - >

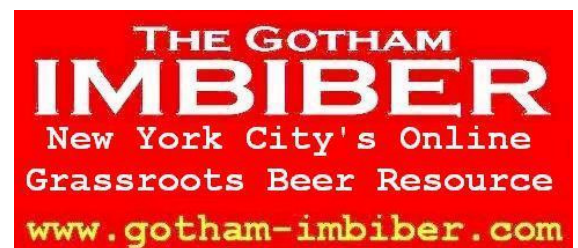
Ichiban (4.9%) * < - JAPANESE RICE LAGER - >

- **Brewed in Macau**

Macau Beer (4.0%) * < - STANDARD LAGER - >

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<http://www.beermenus.com/breweries/kirin-brewery-company>



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